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Holocaust Remembrance Day April 25, 2006

Foer, Jonathan Safran

Everything Is Illuminated (2002)

(F Foer)

Also on Audio Cassette!

Accompanied by a Ukrainian translator with remarkably fractured English, an American college student goes in search of the woman who saved his grandmother from the Nazis.

Reading Group Guide available at www.readinggroupguides.com

Brett, Lily

Too Many Men (2001)

(F Brett)

Ruth Rothwax, a middle-aged New Yorker, travels to Poland with her elderly father, a Holocaust survivor, to visit his childhood home and the camp where he was imprisoned.

Brodrick, William

The 6th Lamentation (2003)

(F Brodrick)

When a suspected Nazi war criminal seeks asylum at an English monastery, Father Anselm investigates the Church's role in facilitating the former SS officer's escape to England.

Reading Group Guide available at <http://us.penguin.com/>

Chessman, Harriet Scott

Someone Not Really Her Mother (2004)

(High Demand F Chessman 14-Day)

Nursing home resident Hannah Pearl is losing her memory and her connection to her family, but remembers her 1940 escape from war-torn France to England.

Reading Group Guide available at www.readinggroupguides.com

Doughty, Louise

Fires in the Dark (2004)

(F Doughty)

When a family of gypsies in Czechoslovakia is sent to a labor camp, the 15-year-old son escapes and later attempts to rescue his mother.

Lebrecht, Norman

The Song of Names (2004)

(F Lebrecht)

Winner of the 2002 Whitbread Award

A young Jewish violin prodigy living in London during WWII vanishes on the eve of his debut.

Reading Group Guide available at www.readinggroupguides.com

Feldman, Ellen

The Boy Who Loved Anne Frank (2005)

(F Feldman)

An imagined account of the post-war life of a boy who hid in the attic with Anne Frank and perished in the Holocaust. In this fictional history, the boy survives, attempts to forget the past, and successfully reinvents himself in America, until Anne's Diary is published.

Reading Group Guide available at www.wwnorton.com/trade/rgg.htm

Krauss, Nicole

The History of Love (2005)

(High Demand F Krauss 14-Day)

Also in Large Print, and on Audio Cassette and CD!

Octogenarian Leo Gursky thought his novel, *The History of Love*, was lost when he fled the Nazis. Unbeknownst to Leo, the book survived and was published by another writer. Teenager Alma Singer, who was named after the heroine of the book, goes on a quest for the real-life inspiration for the character.

Reading Group Guide available at www.wwnorton.com/trade/rgg.htm

Edelman, Gwen

War Story (2002)

(F Edelman) *Also in Large Print!*

A woman recalls the past when, as young writer, she had an affair with an older playwright haunted by his WWII experiences.

Melnyk, Eugenie

My Darling Elia (1999)

(F Melnyk)

Separated from his gentile wife by WWII and searching for her ever since, Holocaust survivor Elia Strohan finds her locket at a flea market in Montreal 50 years later.

Murphy, Louise

The True Story of Hansel and Gretel (2003)

(F Murphy)

In a retelling of the classic fairy tale, two Jewish children in WWII Poland are left in the forest by their father and stepmother to evade capture by the Nazis.

Reading Group Guide available at www.readinggroupguides.com

Zelitch, Simone

Louisa (2000)

(F Zelitch)

In a retelling of the biblical story of Ruth, a Holocaust survivor settles in Palestine after WWII, accompanied by her despised German daughter-in-law.

Reading Group Guide available at <http://us.penguin.com/>

Wiesel, Elie

The Time of the Uprooted (2005)

(High Demand F Wiesel 14-Day)

Residing in the U.S. among other Jewish refugees, an elderly Czech Jew who survived the Holocaust reflects on his life.

Russell, Mary Doria

A Thread of Grace (2005)

(High Demand F Russell 14-Day)

Also in Large Print and on Audio Cassette!

In September 1943, Albert Blum and his teenage daughter Claudette flee from southern France across the Alps to Italy to escape the Nazis.

Reading Group Guide available at www.readinggroupguides.com

Rosner, Elizabeth

The Speed of Light (2001)

(F Rosner)

An opera singer and her graduate student brother, adult children of a Holocaust survivor, confront and overcome the secrets of their father's past.

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